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Louie Soares is Brookline Bank's New Arlington Branch Manager

BROOKLINE, MA, July 26, 2010 – Louie A. Soares has joined Brookline Bank as Branch Manager at the bank's 856 Massachusetts Avenue location in Arlington.

Soares brings 13 years of branch banking experience to Arlington. He worked previously for Sovereign Bank, and is a graduate of UMass Lowell.

Said Soares, "I'm very pleased to be with a bank that truly focuses on its relationship with its customers. I'm looking forward to introducing myself to as many of the bank's customers as possible, and to getting involved in town activities and its businesses community as well."

"We've built a very strong team in Arlington," said Cathy Pierce, Regional Vice President with Brookline Bank. "Louie, in combination with his branch staff and Business Banking Officer, George Drugas, can deliver the right financial products and a high level of personalized service to individuals and businesses."

Brookline Bank's Arlington branch and is open Monday through Thursday, 8:30 am to 4:00 pm; Friday 8:30 am to 5:00 pm; and Saturday, 8:30 am to 12:30 pm. and has free parking. Drive-Thru Banking hours are Monday through Friday, 7:30 am to 5:00 pm; and Saturday, 8:30 am to 12:30 pm.



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